

SOCIAL THINKING BINDER

The Social Thinking Binder should be customized to meet each child's needs. Each binder is a collection of memories and skills that are important to that child. A possible table of contents for the Social Thinking Binder might be:

Experiences

- Pictures
- People Profiles
- Place Profiles
- Memory Maps (answers to "who, what, where, when, why, how" questions about special experiences)

Social Stories

- Put a copy of all that the child uses/has used in the past. They can be organized from most important to least important or organized by when/where used. They can be printed on different colored paper - i.e. blue for home; red for school; white for special events; etc...

Challenges and Celebrations

- Keep a separate page for both and try to figure out strategies to turn challenges into celebrations.

Strategies (may include anything that works for the child - some ideas are listed below)

- Unthinkables
- What your inner coach says to help you defeat each Unthinkable
- How to Use Your Planner
- Study Skills
- Safety Strategies
- Social Scripts
- Quick Notes
- Thought Bubble
- P.O.P (Plan, Organize, Problem Solve)
- Schedules - First/Then Board
- A.B. visual cue to remind kids to make good choices

Language

- Maps: Behavior Map, Conversation Map, “wh” Question Map, Comparison Map,
- "Wh" Question Hand
- Topic/Vocabulary Tree
- Sample "Maps"
- Jokes
- Idioms